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Inventors: Mohammad Peyravian, Allen Roginsky, Nevenko Zunic, and

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TIME STAMPING METHOD EMPLOYING MULTIPLE RECEIPTS

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